Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash — Millsboro

Millsboro— Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 1:11 p.m., Monday, January 17, 2021, on Hollyville Road south of Harmony Cemetery Road.

The initial investigation has determined a 2006 Jeep Liberty operated by a 17-year-old female of Frankford, DE, was traveling northbound on Hollyville Road, approaching the intersection at Harmony Cemetery Road. At this time, a 2016 Freightliner flatbed truck was traveling southbound in the same vicinity. For unknown reasons, the operator of the Jeep lost control of the vehicle, crossed into the southbound lane, and began rotating in counterclockwise rotation, exposing the passenger side. The operator of the Freightliner, a 26-yearold male of Salisbury, MD, applied the brakes in an attempt to avoid a collision, but the front right of the truck struck the passenger side of the Jeep. After impact, the Jeep was forced off the west side of the roadway, and came to rest. The Freightliner was redirected off the west side of the roadway and struck a tree with its front right before coming to rest south of the impact.

The operator of the Jeep was transported to Beebe hospital and treated for minor injuries. There was a 13-year-old female front seat passenger also of Frankford, DE, seated inside of the Jeep. The 13-year-old was pronounced deceased at the scene. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

The roadway was closed for approximately 3.5 hours while the investigation was completed and the roadway was cleared.

The investigation is ongoing, and anyone with information regarding the crash should contact Master Corporal Argo of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-703-3264. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov.

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